

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY – DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
QUALITY IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL (QIC) MINUTES**

Type of Meeting	Service Area 1 Quality Improvement Council	Date	April 5, 2011
Place	2323 A E. Palmdale Blvd., Palmdale, CA 93550	Start Time:	1:30 p.m.
Chairperson:	Susan Crimin	End Time:	3:00 p.m.
Co-Chair Person:	Kimberly Floyde		
Recorder:	Pearl Krueger		
Members Present:	Catherine Houghton; Solana Nasrati; Dina Taylor; Kimberly Floyde; Sarah Treusdell; Marc Bokheim; Diedre George-Mullins; Sarah Moos; Joanna Pav o; Cindy Ferguson; Tabitha Winkey		
Guest Speaker:	Vandana Joshi, Ph.D. DMH Quality Improvement and Training Division: Data GIS Unit		
Agenda Item & Presenter	Discussion and Findings	Decisions, Recommendations, Actions, & Scheduled Tasks	Person Responsible & Due Date
Call to Order & Introductions	The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.	Introductions were made.	S. Crimin
Review of Minutes	The minutes were reviewed and approved.	Minutes were approved.	QIC membership
Auditor from Auditor-General	Sue informed everyone that she had called Sakeda Day from the Auditor General's office and she will be coming in July.		S. Crimin
DMH Quality Improvement and Training Division: Data GIS Unit	<p>Dr. Vandana Joshi informed everyone that they are getting ready for their EQRO audit that is coming up in 2 weeks. This year they will be going to Service Area 7.</p> <p>The review will be from Monday through Thursday, 18th-21st. Monday afternoon is the session with QIC chairs and co-chairs. That's the QI/QA meeting with everyone. They are revisiting the issues they are talking about last year. They are making QI a specific emphasis on the review which may be an ongoing thing.</p> <p>The theme for this year will be on disparities in data, understanding disparities in your Service Area and managing capacity using the disparities.</p>		V. Joshi

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	<p>One of the needs identified for this Service Area was access to training. Currently unless the trainings are online, the training locations are down in Los Angeles. Sue suggested that a rotation of training locations which would be closer to the Antelope Valley.</p> <p>Another issue identified is the shortage of psychiatrists. We get an overload of people who are the traditional persistently mentally ill and they are being treated in the only 2 directly operated clinics in the Service Area. However, we can't focus on the parents who are losing their kids, the parents who need to come in and be seen. There is not a service that meets all the needs.</p>		<p>K. Floyde</p> <p>S. Crimin</p>
Next meeting	<p>July 19th, 2011 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. 2323A E. Palmdale Blvd. Palmdale, CA 93550</p>		

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Crimin, L.C.S.W.